In the Indiana Supreme Court

IN THE MATTER OF)
THE APPOINTMENT OF)
DIANA LAVIOLETTE) Case No.
AS SENIOR JUDGE IN THE)
CLAY CIRCUIT COURT)

ORDER APPOINTING SENIOR JUDGE

The presiding judge of the Clay Circuit Court has requested the appointment of Senior Judge Diana LaViolette for service in that court for 2005, pursuant to Ind. Code \$33-4-8-1.

This Court adopted revisions to Administrative Rule 5 on December 3, 2003, which made certain changes to the senior judge program in recognition of the importance of senior judges to the administration of justice in Indiana trial courts. Accordingly, we find that the Clay Circuit Court has demonstrated the need for additional judicial resources based on this court's most recent weighted caseload statistics. We find further that the presiding judge of the Clay Circuit Court would benefit from the appointment of senior judges to that court. Senior Judge Diana LaViolette has been certified as a senior judge by the Judicial Nominating Commission for the calendar year 2005 pursuant to Ind. Code §33-27-4-1. This Court may re-examine the appointment made herein at a later

date in light of weighted caseload statistics and other circumstances, and make

adjustments accordingly.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Senior Judge Diana LaViolette is appointed

to serve in the requesting trial court at the discretion of the requesting judge, effective

April 1, 2005. This appointment shall remain in effect until December 31, 2005.

Pursuant to Ind. Code §33-4-8-5, the senior judge appointed by this Court in this Order

may not be compensated as senior judge for more than one hundred (100) days in the

aggregate during the 2005 calendar year.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this order to the

Honorable Robert A. Pell, presiding judge of the Clay Circuit Court; to the Honorable

Diana LaViolette; to the clerk of the Clay Circuit Court for entry in the Record of

Judgments and Orders; to the Indiana Judicial Center; to the Judicial Qualifications

Commission; and to the Division of State Court Administration, Payroll Section.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana this _____ day of May, 2005.

Randall T. Shepard

Chief Justice of Indiana

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